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SUBJECT: PL 480 NEGOTIATIONS

1. WE AND INDIAN EMBASSY AGREED ON FOLLOWING LANGUAGE WITH REGARD TO WHEAT EXPORT PROBLEM FOR INCLUSION IN AGREED MINUTES OF PL 480 AGREEMENT:

2. QUOTE. THE INDIAN SIDE MADE REFERENCE TO ITS OBLIGATION TO RETURN IN KIND WHEAT BORROWED FROM ABROAD AND ITS INTENTION TO FULFILL THIS COMMITMENT.

3. THE U.S. SIDE STATED ITS POSITION REGARDING SHIPMENTS OF WHEAT TO THIRD COUNTRIES DURING THE PERIOD OF THE AGREEMENT.

4. BOTH SIDES NOTED THAT THE ISSUE OF SUCH REPAYMENT IN KIND DOES NOT ARISE DURING THE PERIOD WHEAT WILL BE IMPORTED OR UTILIZED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, AS THE ABOVE-MENTIONED COMMITMENT FOR REPAYMENT IS NOT SCHEDULED TO BEGIN UNTIL JULY 1976.

5. BOTH SIDES AGREED TO CONSULT WITH EACH OTHER TO REACH MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD FUTURE PROBLEMS

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IN THIS REGARD ARISE. END QUOTE.

6. INDIANS WILL BE CABLING THIS TO DELHI FOR GOI APPROVAL.

7. WE HOPE TO CLEAR UP OTHER REMAINING PROBLEMS IN NEXT
FEW DAYS SO THAT AGREEMENT WILL BE READY FOR SIGNATURE
ONCE FULL YEAR'S ALLOCATION FOR INDIA IS DECIDED UPON. KISSINGER

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